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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND
PETITION FOR TWO (2) MONTHS EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir/Madam:

This Amendment is being submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on November 3, 2008 ("the Office Action"). Applicants hereby request two (2) months extension of time, extending the period for response from December 3, 2008 to February 3, 2009, and submit the fee for such extension. Accordingly, the response is being timely filed and Applicants respectfully requests further examination on the merits in light of the following:

Amendments to the specification beginning on page 2,

Amendments to the claims beginning on page 11, and

Remarks beginning on page 22 of this paper.